

REMARKS**§ 103 Rejections**

Claims 1-13 and 19 stand rejected under 35 USC § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Olson et al. (US 6261700) in view of Williams et al. (US 5626800).

Each of the independent claims, i.e. claims 1 and 19 have been amended to recite 5 wt-% to 30 wt-% of a crosslinking agent . . . The Applicant submits that even if there were some motivation to employ the ceramer surface coating of Olson et al. in the prism structure of Williams et al., the combination of Olson et al. and Williams et al. does not meet all the claim limitations since neither reference teach the particular composition presently being claimed.

Double Patenting

Claim 1 is provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 9 and 10 of copending Application No. 10/727830.

The attached terminal disclaimer obviates the obviousness-type double patenting rejection.

In view of the above, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Reconsideration of the application is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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